

DECLARING MARCH 2025 AS FLORIDA BICYCLE MONTH

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County residents and visitors engage in bicycling as a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of physical activity and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida designates March as Bicycle Month and Palm Beach County will recognize it locally; and

WHEREAS, Florida Bicycle Month features many fitness opportunities, educational programs, races, commuting, and charity events for riders of all ages and abilities to enjoy throughout the month at various parks and locations throughout Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of Florida Bicycle Month will raise awareness of bicycling and ultimately promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles by elevating bicycling as a more widely accepted choice of transportation;

WHEREAS, the Safe Kids Palm Beach County provides free bike helmets, helmet fitting and bike safety information, Safe Kids Palm Beach County is committed to making bicycling safer for children and families; and

WHEREAS, creating a bicycle-friendly community has been shown to improve citizen's health, well-being, and quality of life, grow the economy of Palm Beach County attract tourism dollars, improve traffic safety, support student learning outcomes, and reduce pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County has an ever-expanding designated or enhanced bicycle lane network, with over 280 miles of existing facilities and several local municipalities that have adopted a Complete Streets Policy, furthering the creation of a safe, connected transportation system that is accessible to all forms of transportation, and all people who bike, regardless of age, ability, or background.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY Palm Beach County has assembled in regular session this 1st day of March 2025, that the month of March 2025, in Palm Beach County, is hereby proclaimed:

Florida Bicycle Month

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED BY Safe Kids Palm Beach County that this proclamation is duly sealed, ribboned and executed by the Coalition of Safe Kids Palm Beach County. The foregoing proclamation was sponsored by the Director of Safe Kids Palm Beach County, and upon unanimous consent of the Coalition and Director declared the proclamation duly enacted.

Kathy Wall, Director Safe Kids Palm Beach County